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Dear Mike:

As you recall, Andy Feinstein, Staff Director for the Subcommittee on Civil Service of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee requested that we declassify and release a transcript of the testimony given by CIA and NSA on 7 February 1984 before that Subcommittee. Several weeks ago, Mr. Feinstein reviewed the testimony with me and we agreed to remove certain classified information contained in the transcript. Where possible, a generic description of the material deleted was made available. This sanitized transcript was then sent to the Directorate of Operations (DO) for their review to ensure no classified information remained. Their review has now been completed, and they have concurred in the release of the sanitized transcript.

The DO review did not cover NSA originated information contained in the transcript. I therefore am requesting that appropriate officials with the NSA review the transcript to determine whether the NSA information, as sanitized, is releasable. The NSA originated information can be found on pages 35-47, 62-63. You might recall that we went through a similar exercise several months ago over this very same transcript (Tab A). At that time, we decided to delete a great deal of information. When Mr. Feinstein in effect appealed this initial decision, we agreed to take another look at our initial classification decisions and whether we could provide a generic description for the material deleted. In the case of specific NSA examples, it seems to me it would be difficult to sanitize them while still leaving enough information to make the example meaningful. However, I welcome any suggestion you may have as to how this may be accomplished. For your information, I am also enclosing a copy of the pages of the transcript that were sanitized as a result of the initial NSA review (Tab B).

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If you have any questions, please feel free to give me or
a call. Thanks for your cooperation.

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Sincerely

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